

**MINUTES**  
**CABARRUS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2011**

**Supervisors Present:** Jeff Goforth, Ned Hudson, Louis Suther and Vicky Porter

**Staff Present:** Amy Griffith, Daniel McClellan and Dennis Testerman

**Others Present:** Bob Carruth, County Commissioner

**(1) Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Goforth at 5:15 p.m.

**(2) Approval of Agenda**

UPON MOTION of Vicky Porter, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the board approved the agenda.

**(3) Approval of Minutes**

UPON MOTION of Louis Suther, seconded by Vicky Porter and unanimously carried, the board approved the August 2, 2011 minutes.

**(4) Consent Agenda**

UPON MOTION of Ned Hudson, seconded by Vicky Porter and unanimously carried, the board approved the Consent Agenda.

**(4-A) Staff Reports**

**(4-B) Cooperator Agreement Cancellation - J. L. Cochran**

**(4-C) NC Agriculture Cost Share Program Contracts**

- Curtis Upright, #13-12-01-16, Livestock Exclusion/Well/Tanks, \$20,771.00
- Brown Stough, #13-13-03-16, 5-year sod-based rotation, \$928.00

**(4-D) Conservation Plan/Agreement - Curtis Upright, 70 acres**

**(4-E) Staff Job Approval Authority for Daniel McClellan - concurred with additional job approval authority provided by NRCS engineering staff.**

**(5) Unfinished Business**

None.

**(6) Reports**

**(6-A) NC Soil & Water Conservation Commission**

Vicky Porter stated the Commission met during the District Employees Workshop. This was the first time the Commission met under the direction of the state Department of Agriculture. The Commission adopted policy changes on reimbursement for Supervisor travel.

**(6-B) USDA Farm Service Agency County Committee Report**

Vicky Porter stated the committee is now meeting quarterly due to reduced funding. Staff member Sue Sutherland took early retirement, and her position may not be refilled.

**(7) New Business**

**(7-A) NCASWCD Area 8 Fall Meeting**

Amy Griffith stated the Area 8 Fall meeting will be held in Kings Mountain at the same location as the Spring event. The meeting will be Wednesday, October 12, 2011.

**(7-B) Conservation Leadership Exercise**

Dennis Testerman led board and staff in a NRCS Social Sciences Institute Leadership Assessment Instrument. There was a general discussion about personal insights gained from this tool.

**(8) Adjourn**

UPON MOTION of Louis Suther, seconded by Ned Hudson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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Jeff Goforth, Chairman

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Ned Hudson, Secretary-Treasurer